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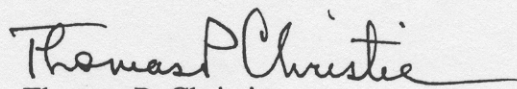
MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (ALT)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (RD&A)
COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS COMBAT
DEVELOPMENT COMMAND
DIRECTOR, AIR FORCE TEST AND EVALUATION

SUBJECT: Charter for the Joint Datalink Information Combat Execution Joint Test and Evaluation Project

The purpose of this memorandum is to forward the attached charter establishing the Joint Datalink Information Combat Execution (JDICE) Joint Test and Evaluation (JT&E) project.

The United States Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, and the Unified Commands are designated as participating Services/Commands, with the United States Air Force designated as the lead Service and executive agent for the project. The Joint Test Director (JTD) reports to the Deputy Director, Systems and Test Resources (DD, S&TR), Office of the Director, Operational Test and Evaluation. Routing for the approval of JDICE financial requirements and formal plans and reports generated by the JT&E to DD, S&TR is via the JT&E Program Manager.

The JTD will execute the JDICE project in accordance with approved test plans. The JTD is required to establish a General Officer Steering Committee as an advisory body to provide a forum for senior level counsel and advocacy from the Services and Unified Commands. Additionally, the JTD may, at his discretion, assemble a Technical Advisory Group to provide independent or specialized guidance or review of test or program related matters.


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Attachment:
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CHARTER
JOINT DATALINK INFORMATION COMBAT EXECUTION
JOINT TEST AND EVALUATION

1. **Purpose.** This Charter prescribes the mission and responsibilities for the Joint Datalink Information Combat Execution (JDICE) Test and Evaluation (JT&E) project. It is issued under the authority of DoD Directive 5010.41, "Joint Test and Evaluation Program."
2. **Mission.** The JDICE JT&E is to improve the Joint Force Commander's (JFC) battlespace situational awareness by developing, testing, evaluating, and institutionalizing Joint and Service tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) that provide critical mission information across multi-platform, fielded, tactical air and ground data links. The JT&E will specifically determine whether the expanded application of link 16 will improve the tactical targeting and deconfliction processes employed by the JFC. This is to be accomplished by employing multi-Service and other Department of Defense (DoD) agency support, personnel, and equipment, and shall be completed by April 30, 2006. Test results will be disseminated as appropriate.
3. **Participants.**
 - 3.1. The United States Department of the Air Force is designated as the lead Service and executive agent for the JDICE project.
 - 3.2. The United States Secretaries of the Army and Navy and the Unified Commands are designated as participants.
4. **Responsibilities.** The following specific items are consistent with the delineation of responsibilities generally described in DODD 5010.41.
 - 4.1. The Joint Test Director (JTD) will:
 - 4.1.1. Execute the JT&E as directed by the Deputy Director, Systems and Test Resources (DD, S&TR)/Office of the Director, Operational Test and Evaluation.
 - 4.1.2. Develop and provide to the JT&E Program Office a Consolidated Resource Estimate (CRE) that reflects budgetary resource requirements to meet identified JT&E costs. Develop and provide to the JT&E Program Manager an abbreviated CRE/Requirements Plan for FY03 and for the first test event by August 1, 2003. The CRE to support remaining JT&E test activities is due to the JT&E Program Manager October 1, 2003. Test planning will incorporate decision review milestones throughout the life cycle of the Joint Test. These "off ramps" will include projected deliverables that would be available should the JDICE JT&E be terminated.
 - 4.1.3. Develop and provide to the JT&E Program Manager a Detailed Test Plan for execution of the first test event by August 1, 2003, for approval by DD, S&TR. The Detailed Test Plans for subsequent test events are due to the JT&E Program

Office not later than 30 days prior to execution of the test events for review and approval.

- 4.1.4. Establish a Joint Test headquarters with personnel and equipment consistent with the approved Consolidated Resource Estimate (CRE). JDICE is directed to maximize use of existing JT&E resources throughout the test lifecycle.
- 4.1.5. Seek synergistic opportunities to collect realistic and objective information and data that pertains to the resolution of the JDICE JT&E problem statement. These opportunities include, but are not limited to, leveraging data and resources from other JT&E activities as well as other DoD activities that are collecting or could potentially collect data or information of use to the JT&E. The JTD is further charged to ensure that any such synergistic leveraging meets the data quality and integrity standards necessary to objectively answer the JDICE test issues. Impartiality, objectivity, and sound methodology for the collection, reduction, and evaluation of pertinent data are paramount considerations in the granting of this charter and the conduct of this JT&E.
- 4.1.6. Collect data from all sources and perspectives that could promote or facilitate the objective evaluation of the JDICE test issues by all interested parties.
- 4.1.7. Structure the JT&E to yield early results whenever feasible from a technical, resource, and management point of view. Ensure that interim results are documented in reports and spelled out in briefings to customers and those who have program oversight.
- 4.1.8. Establish a General Officer Steering Committee as an advisory body to provide senior-level counsel and advocacy from the Joint Staff, the Unified Commands, and the Services.
- 4.2. OSD, Services, and participating commands are expected to support the JDICE JT&E as set forth in DODD 5010.41, DODD 7000-14-R "*Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (Budget Presentation And Formulation)*." Support provided by OSD, Services, and participating commands includes:
 - 4.2.1. Furnishing assets to provide the means and resources necessary for the conduct of the JT&E. This support includes but is not limited to military and civilian personnel; funding for compensation of same; contractor support for technical services; training; administrative support for travel, contracts, and security; computers, software, and communications.
 - 4.2.2. Provision of facilities in the form of office space, equipment, supplies, and other materials and services to ensure that the JT&E is adequately staffed and properly executed in a timely manner.
 - 4.2.3. Provision of administrative support as will be further detailed in Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) with the specific installations involved.

- 4.2.4. The Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) will, in general, fund those requirements directly necessary for the conduct of test activities and technical support.
- 4.2.5. Cooperation in the identification of related activities that are on-going or planned and to investigate establishing a synergistic and mutually beneficial association.
- 4.3. Funding responsibilities of other participating commands and agencies are limited to existing, on-going functions and activities being leveraged in the JT&E, unless otherwise agreed upon by a specific MOA.
- 5. **Delegation of Authority.** The JTD is authorized to:
 - 5.1. Establish direct liaison and communication with DoD agencies deemed beneficial to the conduct of the JT&E.
 - 5.2. Coordinate participation of DoD activities in the collection of data and other information necessary to the resolution of the JT&E Charter.
 - 5.3. Establish liaison with other organizations, agencies, and activities to take advantage of synergistic and/or complementary testing opportunities.
 - 5.4. Execute memoranda of agreement/understanding required to accomplish the JT&E mission.
 - 5.5. Release JT&E test plans, resource requirements, data, results, and such other reports as the JTD deems appropriate, prior to formal reporting. This will be done consistent with the requirement to maintain the independent status of the JT&E Program and to not precipitate actions based on incomplete test data.
 - 5.6. Coordinate JT&E test plans, resource requirements, data, and results with appropriate U.S. Government agencies before formal reporting. This will be done consistent with the need to maintain independent status of the JT&E.
 - 5.7. Exercise original classification authority.
 - 5.8. Establish advisory groups (e.g., Technical and Operational) to provide independent or specialized guidance or review of test or program related matters.
 - 5.9. Within established funding, contract for such technical services as may be required that are not available from participating government agencies.
 - 5.10. Commit, obligate, track, establish priorities, and manage the funds made available for the conduct of this JT&E. Transfer funds to other participating agencies, as necessary, and provide financial accounting to the DD, S&TR.
- 6. **Budget & Schedule.** The JT&E will be executed within the budget and schedule presented and approved by the DD, S&T.

7. **Deliverables.** The JTD will produce and provide the following documentation:

7.1. Monthly progress reports.

7.2. Detailed Test Plans.

7.3. Develop and maintain a CRE.

7.4. Legacy Product(s):

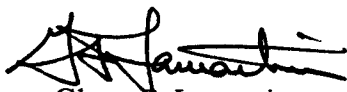
7.4.1. At the mid-point of the JT&E, the JTD should have a signed agreement with the customer(s) stating that the customer organization(s) want the product(s), will take ownership of the product(s), and will commit necessary funds for support of the product(s).

7.4.2. Interim Test Reports. At the conclusion of each test activity delineated in the approved JDICE JT&E schedule contained within the DTP, the JTD will prepare, submit to the DD, S&TR an interim test report that provides the findings, conclusions, and recommendations that are derive from the conducted test activity. On DD, S&TR's approval to release the report, the JTD will disseminate the report to the Combatant Commanders, Services, and interested DoD agencies.

7.4.3. Legacy Product Transition Plan. A minimum of one year prior to JT&E completion, the JTD shall have a Transition Plan, signed by the JTD and the customer(s), which defines the legacy product transition process, funding for the products, and transfer of ownership of the products. Need to discuss Decision points and off ramps if JDICE falters or completes the desired task early in the cycle.

7.5. Final Report. A comprehensive final report, to include the findings and recommendations of the JT&E, will be submitted to DD, S&TR approval in accordance with the approved schedule (Para 6).

8. **Reporting Channels.** The JTD reports to the DD, S&TR, Office of the Director, Operational Test and Evaluation.



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